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TO: All Agencies in the Uniform State Payroll System

FROM: DON SCHEPPMAN, Chief Personnel/Payroll Services Division

## RE: AMENDED: NEW ALTERNATE RETIREMENT PROGRAM ACCOUNT CODES

New Alternate Retirement Program (ARP) account codes have been established for all new miscellaneous and industrial rank and file employees in Bargaining Units 1, 3, 4, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, and 21 hired on or after January 1, 2007. This is a result of collective bargaining agreements that establish a new retirement formula based on the highest salary during a 36-month consecutive period. The new account codes are necessary for CalPERS to specifically identify employees subject to the new retirement formula. Continue to use the existing ARP codes for all excluded miscellaneous and industrial employees hired on or after January 1, 2007. The new ARP codes are identified below.

Account code	Rate	Exclusion Amount
TJ (Miscellaneous subject to Social Security and Medicare)	5%	\$513
TS (Industrial subject to Social Security and Medicare)	5%	\$513
TL (Miscellaneous subject to Social Security and Medicare	5%	\$513
in Bargaining Unit 18 at Porterville Developmental Center)		

## **PROCESSING**

Departments are responsible for entering the appropriate account code on the appointment, 405, or via 505 transaction if the employee does not become an ARP participant until a later date (i.e., employee is intermittent and placed in PST until the number of required hours are worked for CalPERS eligibility).

## **CONTACTS**

Please refer to the Department of Personnel Administration Savings Plus website at <a href="http://www.dpa.ca.gov/spp/arpmain.shtm">http://www.dpa.ca.gov/spp/arpmain.shtm</a> for information regarding the ARP. If you have questions concerning this letter, please contact Lynn Black at (916) 327-3926 or by email at <a href="lblack@sco.ca.gov">lblack@sco.ca.gov</a>.

For PAR documentation assistance, contact the Personnel Liaison Unit at (916) 322-6500. Revisions to the PPM and the Personnel Action Manual are forthcoming.

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